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Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

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FOR: DNA BASE SEQUENCING SYSTEM

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 9 sheets of ☐ formal ☐ informal drawings.
- ☒ A certified copy of Japanese patent application 2000-075384 to claim priority date of March 17, 2000.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.
- ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement with PTO Form 1449.
- ☐ Applicant requests non-publication.
- ☐ Applicant is a small entity.
- ☒ An Executed Declaration

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